Failure of DDA to provide housing for growing population of Delhi

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Development Authority have failed to provide housing in commensurate with the growing population of Delhi during the past decades;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that there is an acute shortage of houses in Delhi;

(c) if so, whether Government are considering to strengthen the existing Delhi Development Authority in order to solve the housing problem; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) The problem of housing shortage in Delhi is to be tackled by the joint efforts of DDA, Slum and JJ Department of the MCD, Housing Cooperative Societies, Local Bodies, individuals, etc. The Delhi Development Authority has reported that during the last three decades, it has created 2.88 lakh dwelling units and facilitated the creation of an additional 7.79 lakh dwelling units which accommodates a total population of about 55 lakhs.

(b) There is some gap between the effective demand for housing units and the actual availability of the housing stock. The gap is more a result of non-availability of buildable land and infrastructural facilities in Delhi than DDA's inability to construct the housing units to meet the growing demand for housing.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Acquisition of land under the large scale acquisition policy has been resumed.

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